

Seed vessels placed in round dots on the back of the lobes, three or four in a row on each side the nerve, from a pale green gradually changing to a brown orange colour.

VARIETIES.

The Polipodium cambricum is now known to be a variety of this plant. The general shape of its leaves oval; lobes confluent, and decurrent at the base, irregularly gashed on the edges, the segments long, narrow, crowded, serrated or crenated on the edges, the whole leaf thin, smooth, semi-transparent, of a pale green and very elegant. *See the figure of a lobe, Tab. 2. Fig. 5. a.* This variety produces no seed vessels.

There is another remarkable variety in which the lobes are proliferous, having other lobes growing from their sides; *see Tab 2. Fig. 5. b.* This variety was discovered in fructification in a wood near Bingley by Mr. W. Alexander, of Halifax, in August 1782.

Polipody grows on old mossy walls, rocks, and about the roots of old trees in shady places.

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